



IDAHO CROP & LIVESTOCK PRODUCERS' NEWS

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Dear Respondent:

This issue of the Idaho Crop and Livestock Producers' News covers the results of the July 2006 Agricultural Yield Survey & June Agricultural Survey.

This release is sent to survey participants in appreciation for their time spent responding to the survey. For more information contact us at nass-id@nass.usda.gov or at 1-800-691-9987. Thank you for reporting and your continued support.

Sincerely,

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Director*

Idaho Potato Acreage Up 2 Percent

Planted acreage for potatoes in Idaho is estimated to be 330,000 acres, up 2 percent from 2005's 325,000 acres, but 7 percent below the 355,000 acres planted two years ago. Harvested acreage is expected to total 328,000 acres, an increase of 5,000 acres from last year. Idaho's expected winter wheat production is 59.6 million bushels, down 10 percent from last year. Harvested acreage of winter wheat is expected to total 710,000 acres, 20,000 acres fewer than last year. Yield, as of July 1, is expected to be 84.0 bushels per acre, down from last year's 91.0 bushels per acre. Producers with spring wheat are expected to harvest 480,000 acres, up 30,000 acres from 2005. Average yield is estimated at 68.0 bushels per acre, 4.0 bushels less than 2005. Spring wheat production is forecast at 32.6 million bushels, an increase of 1 percent from 2005. Barley production is forecast at 45.1 million bushels, down 14 percent from last year's 52.2 million bushels and the lowest since 1975. Harvested acreage, at 530,000 acres, is 70,000 acres less than last year. The expected yield of 85.0 bushels per acre is down 2 bushels from last year.

Oat production is expected to be 1.28 million bushels, unchanged from last year. Oat yield for grain, at 64.0 bushels per acre, and acreage harvested for grain, at 20,000, are also unchanged from last year. Dry edible peas planted acreage is estimated to be 45,000 acres, down 6 percent from last year. Planted acreage for lentils is expected to total 55,000 acres, down 15 percent from 2005. Austrian winter peas planted acreage, at 8,000 acres, decreased 20 percent from a year ago. Peach production, estimated at 9,000 tons, is up 13 percent from last year's 8,000 tons.

For the United States, planted acreage for fall potatoes is 990,500 acres, up 2 percent from last year but 5 percent below 2004. Harvested acres are forecast at 974,400, up 3 percent from 2005 but 5 percent below two years ago. Winter wheat production is forecast at 1.28 billion bushels, up 1 percent from last month but down 15 percent from 2005. The U. S. yield is forecast at 41.1 bushels per acre, up 0.6 bushels from the last month. Other spring wheat production is forecast at 465 million bushels, down 8 percent from 2005. The U.S. yield is forecast at 32.9 bushels per acre, 4.2 bushels less than last year. Barley production is forecast at 190 million bushels, 10 percent below 2005 and the lowest production since 1936. Yields are expected to average 63.4 bushels per acre, down 1.4 bushels from last year. Oat production for grain is forecast at 110 million bushels, 4 percent below last year's 115 million bushels. If realized, this would be the lowest production on record. The forecasted yield, at 57.9 bushels per acre, is down 5.1 bushels from 2005. Planted acreage of dry edible peas is estimated at 895,000 acres, up 11 percent from 2005. Planted acreage of lentils is estimated at 420,000 acres, down 7 percent from 2005. Austrian winter peas planted acreage is expected to total 41,000 acres, down 4 percent from last year. The 2006 peach crop is forecast at 1.06 million tons, down 11 percent from 2005.

**Small Grains: Area Harvested, Yield, and Production,
Idaho and United States 2005 and Forecasted July 1, 2006**

STATE	Area Harvested		Yield			Production	
	2005	2006	2005	Jun 1	Jul 1	2005	2006
	<i>1,000 Acres</i>		<i>Bushels</i>			<i>1,000 Bushels</i>	
IDAHO							
Winter Wheat	730	710	91.0	86.0	84.0	66,430	59,640
Spring Wheat	450	480	72.0	--	68.0	32,400	32,640
Barley	600	530	87.0	--	85.0	52,200	45,050
Oats	20	20	64.0	--	64.0	1,280	1,280
UNITED STATES							
Winter Wheat	33,794	31,108	44.4	40.5	41.1	1,499,129	1,280,005
Spring Wheat	13,609	14,154	37.1	--	32.9	504,456	465,261
Barley	3,269	2,990	64.8	--	63.4	211,896	189,647
Oats	1,823	1,907	63.0	--	57.9	114,878	110,322

Planted and Harvested Acreage 2005-2006, Idaho & U.S.

STATE	Area Planted		Area Harvested	
	2005	2006	2005	2006
	<i>1,000 Acres</i>		<i>1,000 Bushels</i>	
IDAHO				
Fall Potatoes	325.0	330.0	323.0	328.0
Dry Edible Peas	48.0	45.0	46.0	43.0
Lentils	65.0	55.0	63.0	53.0
Austrian Winter Peas	10.0	8.0	8.0	7.0
UNITED STATES				
Fall Potatoes	968.6	990.5	949.5	974.4
Dry Edible Peas	808.0	895.0	765.9	856.6
Lentils	450.0	420.0	439.0	402.0
Austrian Winter Peas	42.5	41.0	24.5	24.5

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